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MEMORANDUM

TO: Wisconsin County Clerks
Milwaukee County Election Commission
Wisconsin Municipal Clerks
Milwaukee City Election Commission

FROM: Diane Lowe, Lead Elections Specialist
Government Accountability Board

DATE: May 9, 2016

SUBJECT: Ballots for the August 9, 2016 Partisan Primary

Sample paper and optical scan ballots for the Partisan Primary are now available on the G.A.B. website, <http://gab.wi.gov/forms/ballots>. The partisan primary ballot series is GAB-201.

Optical Scan Ballots

- Sample arrow and oval optical scan ballots, click on “**GAB-201ms.**”
- To access sample arrow and oval optical scan federal office-only ballots, click on “**GAB-201Fms.**”

Paper, Hand-Count Ballots

- To access paper hand-count ballots (GAB-201, GAB-201g), the instructional cover sheet (GAB-201i) and the reverse side of a paper ballot (GAB-229), click on “**GAB-201.**”
- To access the paper hand-count Federal office-only ballot (GAB-201F), instructional cover sheet (GAB-201i), and the reverse side of a paper ballot (GAB-229), click on “**GAB-201F.**”

Municipalities Using Paper, Hand-Count Ballots

A consolidated ballot may not be used at the Partisan Primary; separate party ballots must be used. Party ballots are assembled with the instructional cover sheet (GAB-201i) on the top, followed by ballots in this order: Republican, Democratic, Constitution, Libertarian and Wisconsin Green. The ballots must be fastened together at the bottom. *Ballots must all be the same color.*

If at least two parties have no ballot candidates for any offices, you may use the GAB-201g (generic) ballot in place of separate ballots for those parties. Remove the name of any party that has ballot candidates from the generic ballot. If only one party has no ballot candidates, do not use the generic ballot for that party; use a regular party ballot.

Ballot Review (County Clerks)

As usual, please send a copy of your ballot to the Government Accountability Board for approval. Please send only one representative sample. DO NOT send all ballot styles. You may either fax your ballot to 608-267-0500 or email it to gabhelpdesk@wi.gov. Please make sure that you proof your ballots again after receiving your ballots from your printer.

If you have questions, please contact the Help Desk at gabhelpdesk@wi.gov or 608-261-2018.